Subnissiion of quarterly report about the use of Hindi

*516. SHRI RAM RATAN RAM:
DR. SHRIKANT
RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all Ministries have to submit a quarterly report *to* Department of Official Languages about the use of Hindi

(b) whether it is also a fact that several Ministries do not Submit these reports regularly; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to see that the reports are received in-time?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Usually, these reports -are regularly received. Whenever these are not received from any Ministry/Depart ment in time, they are obtained by send ing reminders. D

Destruction of vital Crime records Ivy computer virus

*517. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

* *(A)* whether it is a fact that a computer virus has destroyed vital records of the Delhi Police, relating to criminals and gangsters, as reported in newspapers;
* thereof; and

(b) if so, what are the facts and details thereof; and

(c) what steps have been taken to repair the loss?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) to (c) No, Sir. News items had appeared in some newspapers of March, 9-10, 1995 Stating that a virus had stolen into the computer system of Delhi Police wiping of vital police records of criminals and gang-steis. A rebuttal to the news-item was given by the Delhi Police through a press release. The same was also carried by the newspapers.

Pak Prime Minister's willingness for talks on Kashmir

*518. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGLA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be plessed to stale:

(a) whither the Prime Minister of Pakistan has recently expressed her wil lingness to find an amicable solution re garding Kashmir and for talks with India; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government on such discussion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRl R. L. BHATIA): (a) Government have been media reports to 'this effect,

(b) Government have repeatedly conveyed to Pakistan in the recent period our readiness to hold unconditional biliat ral talks resolve all differences, in. eluding aspects relating to Jammu & Kashmir, within the framework of the Simla Agreement, Govemment. would urge Pakistan to respond with sincerly *to* cur offer of talks.

गुजरात के लिए मिट्टी के तेल के कोटे में वृद्धि

*519. श्री कनक सिंह मोहन सिंह मंगरोला : क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत दो वर्षों के दौरान गुजरात को मिट्टी के तेल की कितनी मात्रा आबंटित की गई है :

(ख) क्या गुजरात के लिए मिट्टी के तेल के कोटे में वृद्धि करने हेतु कोई अनुरोध प्राप्त हुआ है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उस पर क्या कार्रवाई की गई है ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (कैप्टन सतीश शर्मा) : (क) गुजरात की 1993–94 और 1994–95 के दौरान मिट्टी के तेल की आबंटित मात्राएं क्रमश: 790313 मीट्रिक टन और 805680 मीट्रिक टन थी ।

(ख) और (ग) मिट्टी के तेल के अतिरिक्त आबंटन के लिए राज्य सरकारों से समय-समय पर अनुरोध प्राप्त होते हैं । गुजरात सरकार से भी अनुरोध प्राप्त हुआ था । तथापि, उत्पाद-उपलब्धता, विदेशी मुद्रा और अत्यधिक राज-सहायता की बाधाओं के कारण राज्यों की संपूर्ण मांग को पूरा करना सम्भव नहीं है । बहरहाल, 1995–96 के दौरान गुजरात को 7983 मीट्रिक टन मिट्टी के तेल की अतिरिक्त मात्रा का आबंटन करने का निर्णय लिया गया है ।

U.N. mechanism to assess damage caused by sanctions

*520. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minster of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has suggested that the U. N. Security Council should set up a mechanism to assess the damage caused by economic sanctions on varous countries, in view bf the frequency with which sanction's have been applied; and

(b) if so, the follow-up action being taken by Govemment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE. IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) The UN Secretary General: has suggested the establishm-nt of a mechanism to assess the damoge caused by economic sanctions on various countries. India has noted the suggestion.

India had proposed that not only 'should an assessment of the economic impact of sanctions on other countries be tabled in the S:curity Council, when, sanctions are being considered,, but the Council, which imposes sanctions should automatically establish a fund to give relief to third countries affected by -Jem.

(b) The matter is under discussion at the United Nations.

Letters written by MPs to tne Ministry of Communications

5410. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of letters written by the Members of Parliament to the Ministry during the period from 1st April 1994 to 31st March, 1995;

(b) what is the number of letters aknowledged out of them.

(c) what is the umber of letters in repsect of which final replies were sent; and

(d) what is the break-up of final tetters issued by the Ministry containining positive and negative replies respective ly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) to *(d)* The informations is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Improvement of customer service of MTNL

5411. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the customer service of Mahanagar Telephone